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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

PATENT APPLICATION

In re: PATENT APPLICATION of:
Inventor(s): Peter J. Hopper et al.
Appln. No.: 10/ 689,779

Group Art Unit 1775
Examiner: Stein, Stephen J.
Atty. Dkt. No. 100-23501 P05712-C1

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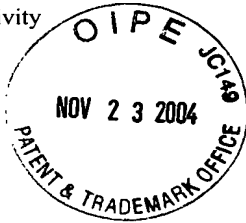
Filed: October 21, 2003
Title: Imager With Improved Sensitivity

RCE

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Date: November 23, 2004

Sir:

REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) UNDER RULE 114

Please continue the examination of this application.

PREREQUISITES

This application was filed on/after June 8, 1995, is not abandoned, and no court action has been filed, or if filed, it has been terminated.

An issue fee **has not been** paid (unless a petition under Rule 313(c)(2) is also being filed -- see item 4 below).

Prosecution has been closed as defined in Rule 114(b).

Reply to any outstanding action and Rule 17(e) filing fee must be enclosed

This application is entitled under Rule 114 to withdrawal of any outstanding finality or of any allowance plus a new action by the Examiner. Consideration on the merits of each submission (e.g., IDS, Amendment, new arguments, new evidence, but not appeal/reply briefs themselves) filed herewith is respectfully requested.

Please consider the following before the next Official Action:

1. Please ☒ enter ☐ do not enter the Amendment filed _____
2. ☒ The enclosed Amendment.
3. ☐ Consider the arguments in the appeal brief filed ___ and reply brief filed _____
4. ☐ The issue fee has been paid, but this RCE is based on Rule 313(c)(2). See enclosed petition.
5. ☐ The enclosed Information Disclosure Statement.
6. ☒ The Enclosed Non-Publish Request.
7. ☐ Please suspend action under Rule 103(c) for a period of ___ months (3 mos. Max) for which the required \$130 fee is enclosed
8. ☒ A check in the amount of \$1058 is enclosed of which \$790 is the required RCE filing fee and \$180 for ten extra claims and \$88 for one extra independent claim. (Postcard, fee transmittal (with copy) are also attached.)

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METHOD OF PAYMENT (check one)

1. ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees or credit any overpayment under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required by this paper to Deposit Account No. 502305

LAW OFFICES OF MARK C. PICKERING☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27.2. ☒ Payment Enclosed:☒ Check ☐ Money Order ☐ Other**FEE CALCULATION****1. BASIC FILING FEE**

LARGE ENTITY

SMALL ENTITY

Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Description	Fee Paid
1001	790	2001	395	Utility	
1002	350	2002	175	Design	
1003	550	2003	275	Plant	
1004	790	2004	395	Reissue	
1005	160	2005	80	Provisional	
SUBTOTAL (1)					0

2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE

		Extra Claims	Fee from below	Fee Paid
Total Claims	30 - 20 **	= 10	x 18	= \$ 180
Independent	5 - 4	= 1	x 88	= \$ 88
Multiple Dep.			*	= \$ 0

** or number previously paid, if greater; for Reissues, see below:

Large Entity Fee Code	Large Entity Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee Code	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee Description
1202	18	2202	9	Claim in excess of 20
1201	88	2201	44	Independent claims in excess of 3
1203	300	2203	150	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid
1204	88	2204	44	** Reissue ind. claims over original patent
1205	18	2205	9	** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent

SUBTOTAL (2) \$268

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FEE CALCULATION (continued)**3. Additional Fees**

Large Entity

Small Entity

Fee

Code

1051	130	2051	65	Surcharge - late filing fee or oath	
1052	50	2052	25	Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet	
1053	130	1053	130	Non-English specification	
1812	2520	1812	2520	For filing a request for ex parte reexamination	
1804	920	1804	920	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
1805	1840	1805	1840	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	
1251	110	2251	55	Extension for reply within first month	
1252	430	2252	215	Extension for reply within second month	
1253	980	2253	490	Extension for reply within third month	
1254	1530	2254	765	Extension for reply within fourth month	
1255	2080	2255	1040	Extension for reply within fifth month	
1401	340	2401	170	Notice of Appeal	
1402	340	2402	170	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
1403	300	2403	150	Request for oral hearing	
1451	1510	1451	1510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
1452	110	2452	55	Petition to revive-unavoidable	
1453	1370	2453	685	Petition to revive-unintentional	
1501	1370	2501	685	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
1502	490	2502	245	Design issue fee	
1503	660	2503	330	Plant issue fee	
1460	130	1460	130	Petitions to the Commissioner	
1807	50	1807	50	Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(q)	
1806	180	1806	180	Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt	
8021	40	8021	40	Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)	
1809	790	2809	395	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR 1.129(a))	
1810	790	2810	395	For each additional invention be examined (37 CFR 1.129(b))	
1801	790	2801	395	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	790
1802	900	1802	900	Request for expedited examination of a design application	

*Reduced by Basic Filing Fee Paid **SUBTOTAL (3)** \$790**SUBMITTED BY**

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